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IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claim will replace all prior versions and listings of claim in the present application.

Listing of Claims

- (currently amended)A recording/reproducing apparatus for recording a transmitted signal onto a recording medium and for reproducing the recorded-transmitted signal from the recording medium, comprising:
- a recorder which records the transmitted signal by a record/reproducing head onto a recording medium;
- a reproducer which reproduces the recorded <u>transmitted</u> signal by a recording/reproducing head from the recording medium and outputs the reproduced <u>transmitted</u> signal; and
- a disabling circuit which disables the <u>transmitted</u> signal recorded on the recording medium by a recording/reproducing head,

wherein the transmitted signal, recorded on the recording medium, is scrambled using a key code and is restricted to be from being copied, and

wherein said reproducer descrambles the reproduced transmitted signal using the key code and outputs the descrambled signal after adding information to restrict copying and said disabling circuit disables the transmitted signal, recorded on the recording medium, after the transmitted signal which has been reproduced.

2. (currently amended)A recording/reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said disabling circuit erases at least a portion of said-the transmitted signal recorded on said recording medium.

- 3. (currently amended)A recording/reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said disabling circuit rewrites another signal over at least a portion of said-the transmitted signal recorded on said recording medium.
- 4. (currently amended) A recording/reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said disabling circuit disables the transmitted signal, recorded on the recording medium, within a predetermined time after said reproducer reproduces the recorded-transmitted signal on the recording medium.